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1 Purpose

This ROP documents the application of the applicable policies related to hours of work and alternate work schedules for the Eastern Laboratory.

2 Reference

- 2.1 DHRM Policy 1.25, Hours of Work
- 2.2 DCJS Policy 14, Hours of Work and Alternate Work Schedules
- 2.3 DFS Safety Manual, "Working Alone"

3 Work Schedules

- 3.1 The standard work schedule is from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday.
- 3.2 Work schedule start time will be on the hour or half hour, e.g., 7:00 am, 7:30 am, 8:00 am, etc.
- 3.3 Employees may request their work schedules according to the following defined options:

Schedule A: Five 8's

Schedule B: Four 9's and one 4

Schedule C: Four 9's and one 8 / four 9's and 8 off (2 week cycle) (exempt employees only)

Schedule D: Four 10's

- 3.4 Supervisors and evidence specialists may elect either Schedule A or Schedule B.
- 3.5 Established schedules will have no more than one-third of all section personnel off on the same day/hour. Single person sections are excluded from this requirement.

4 Lunch Periods and Breaks

- 4.1 The lunch period (meal break) will be 30 minutes or 60 minutes, taken between the hours of 11:00 am and 2:00 pm. Once an option is selected, it cannot be changed without filing a new schedule request.
- 4.2 All employees' work duties allow flexibility for breaks for personal needs. Therefore, 15-minuite breaks are not applicable.

5 Responsibilities

Supervisors will ensure the following:

- 5.1 That the "working alone" policy is adhered to when recommending work schedules.
- 5.2 That section members adhere to these guidelines and their approved work schedules.

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